

2019/20 Issue 4

Class 3 Graffiti Art

In the week before half-term, children in Class 3 had an amazing day with graffiti artist Joley, creating their very own graffiti boards.

They spent the morning designing their tag and creating stencils that they could use. Thankfully, the rain held off and they were able to go outside in the afternoon to do all the spray painting. They have created some remarkable work which is currently on display in Class 3. Please pop in to have a look on our Open Morning on Friday 29th November.

Thank you to Ms Grazebrook and Mrs Maskell for organising this fantastic experience and to the PTFA for supporting it!



After-School Club

Those of you with children at after-school club will have met Tom Nethercott this week, our new after-school club manager. Tom has a wealth of experience working in after-school provision and we are looking forward to his ideas to take the club forward. Please help him to feel welcome.

Tom's appointment means that Caroline Compton will no longer administer the club. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all the hard work over the last few years. Those of you who have been at the school for a while will remember that Caroline set up the

club from scratch in September 2017 and has taken it from strength to strength.

I would also like to thank Mrs Mann and Mrs Sabey for covering the club before Tom's appointment.

If you would like to contact Tom and the club, they have a new, dedicated email address: asc@fowlmere.cambs.sch.uk

Staffing

I think that Mrs Sabey's stint at After-School Club has given her a taste for some different work and so Mrs Sabey has decided to no longer be a midday supervisor at school. I would like to thank her for her work over the last few years.

Flu Immunisation

Flu immunisations were started this week, but unfortunately, due to being delayed at another school, the team only managed to complete children in Key Stage 1. They will be returning soon, but I don't have a date yet.

EastNet

By the time that you read this, I am hoping that we have had our broadband migrated to EastNet – the new high-speed network for schools in the east of England. You may have seen the engineers running the fibre to the school earlier in the week.

EastNet will give us a much faster connection, making services such as Office365 or Google apps viable for the first time for large scale use. We'll keep you posted on any new developments.

Football tournament

A squad of 10 players took part in the ESFA Small Schools Football Tournament before half-term. They played 5 7-a-side matches as part of a round robin and then a play-off to decide final placings. The team played well together, though unfortunately we were 11th overall. My thanks to lan Wilson for accompanying.

The squad were: Daniel, Loui, Jake, Alfie, Elke, Zac, Chloe, Joshua, Raffy and William (all Class 4).

With best wishes, Mr Philip Atkin **Headteacher**

Playleaders

Our newly trained group of playleaders have just started work on The Butts at morning and lunchtime play. The playleaders (children from Y4-6) underwent two-hours of games and leadership training with staff from the local Sports Partnership which gives them some of the knowledge and skills they need to be great playleaders.

We're really pleased that the playleaders are back in action providing games for any children who are at a bit of a loose end at playtime.

Toys and Special Items

Please can I remind everyone that toys and special objects are not allowed in school as staff do not have the time to follow things up is items get lost or disappear. If a child is bringing something to *share* with the class, it can be given to the teacher at the start of the day for safe keeping.

Reminders

- New parent visits are on Wednesday 6th Novebmer. If you know anyone looking for a school place for September, they would be very welcome. Please ask them to contact the school office for details.
- Individual and Family photos are on Thursday 7th November.
- Our remembrance assembly will be on Monday 11th November at 10.30am.

Congratulations to:

- Jacob (Class 2) for his reading challenge certificate.
- Sam D and Josh (both Class 2) for their Ultra Marathon Club Certificates – in both cases for completing a large number of junior park runs.

Dates for Your Diary

Monday 4th November PCSO Visit to Class 1 Wednesday 6th November New Parent Visits, 9 – 11.30am Thursday 7th November Individual and family photographs Thursday 7th November Y3/4 Orienteering Competition **Monday 11th November** Remembrance Assembly, 10.30am Monday 11th November -National Anti-Bullying Week Friday 15th November **Tuesday 12th November** Disability Sport Event for KS2 Monday 18th November **NSPCC** Workshop and Assembly **Thursday 28th November Small Schools Cross Country** Friday 29th November Open Morning, 9am – 10am Thursday 5th December Whole-School Pantomime Trip Sunday 8th December PTFA Christmas Fair **Tuesday 10th December** Class 1 and 2 Christmas Production 9.15am & 2pm Friday 13th December Christmas Crafts Morning Thursday 19th December Carols at St Mary's, 9.30am **Thursday 19th December** Last Day of Term

Spring Term 2020

| Monday 6th January | INSET Day (School Closed) |
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| Tuesday 7th January | First Day of Term |
| Saturday 8th February | Make, Do and Mend Day |
| Monday 10th February – Thursday 13th February | Year 6 Bikeability |
| Monday 10th February | Parent & Child Consultations |
| Tuesday 11th February | Year 5 Day at MVC |
| Wednesday 12th February | Parent & Child Consultations |
| Friday 14th February | INSET Day (School Closed) |
| Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February | Half-Term |
| Monday 9th March – Friday 13th March | Science Week |
| Friday 13th March | Bags2School Collection |
| Friday 13th March | Year 5/6 Science Visit to MVC 🕮 |
| Wednesday 18th March | Tag Rugby Competition |
| Friday 20th March | PTFA Quiz 🕮 |

Wednesday 1st April Vision Screening for Reception Year

Friday 3rd April Last Day of term